



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, on April 23, 1908, the Congress of the United States created the Medical Reserve Corps, a group of 360 doctors formed to provide the nation with a reservoir of trained medical officers in a time of war; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2008, the nation will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the United States Army Reserve; and

WHEREAS, for 100 years the Army Reserve has expanded upon this successful model that leverages civilian skills and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, in the event of national disasters such as hurricanes and flooding, Army Reserve soldiers are on the scene to support humanitarian and relief operations; and

WHEREAS, soldiers in the Army Reserve use their civilian and military training to safeguard the nation's data, develop secure communications technologies, and maintain, process and troubleshoot military information systems; and

WHEREAS, the Army Reserve responds to chemical and biological threats, provides biohazard training to federal agencies and plays a crucial role in the maintenance and supervision of nuclear, biological and chemical detection and decontamination equipment; and

WHEREAS, soldiers in the Army Reserve operate the transportation and supply systems that keep the Army in motion, supplying troops around the world; and

WHEREAS, during times of both war and peace, soldiers in the Army Reserve help countries establish or restore governmental institutions and functions; and

WHEREAS, Army Reserve soldiers assist U.S. and foreign governments, militaries and civilian populations with psychological operations during times of peace, crisis and conflict; and

WHEREAS, the Army Reserve staffs most of the Army's hospitals, triage centers, clinics and field medical care units as their medical capabilities often exceed active duty personnel capabilities because of the civilian experience they bring to the job; and

WHEREAS, the Army Reserve has played integral roles in World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Cold War, Panama, the Persian Gulf, Somalia, Haiti, Bosnia, Kosovo, the Iraq War and the Global War on Terror; and

WHEREAS, the Army Reserve is a vital part of the world's best military, providing specialized, skill-rich services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2008 as the

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise on this 28th day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE